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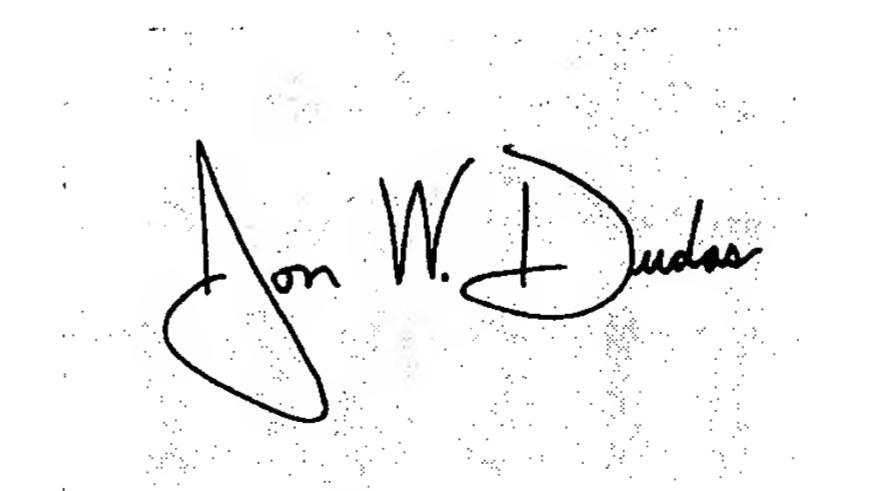
It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page.

Item [73], Assignee, should read -- **Kabushiki Kaisha Kobe Seiko Sho**  
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Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is somewhat stylized and cursive, with "Jon" on the left, "W." in the middle, and "Dudas" on the right.

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